

HYLAN URGES STATE TO ACT IN CASE

Mayor Also Directs Counsel for City to See if It Can Get Redress.

\$300,000,000 INVOLVED

Transit Officials Pleased to See Executive Indorse Inquiry Results.

CRAIG FOR PROSECUTION

Stock Market Victims, It Is Said, Can Sue Directors for Losses They Met.

Mayor Hyland and Comptroller Craig both issued statements yesterday urging that evidence of frenzied finance revealed by the Transit Commission in its examination of Interborough affairs "should be taken up vigorously by the District Attorney's office."

The Mayor also asserted that he would direct John P. O'Brien, Corporation Counsel, to study the record of the commission's inquiry in the hope that the city may obtain some measure of legal redress. Mayor Hyland's statement said:

"I think the Transit Commission ought to submit its evidence to the District Attorney, so that he can present it to the Grand Jury. It should be taken up vigorously by the District Attorney's office to the end that the rights of the honest investing public be protected in the future."

"I will ask the Corporation Counsel to peruse the minutes of the transit hearings with a view to ascertaining if there is not some way that the city of New York can obtain legal redress for the loss of returns on its investment of almost \$300,000,000 in the subways."

It seems to me that the high handed and frenzied manipulation of the Interborough directors has tended to delay on its part, the day that the city could realize some return upon its subway properties."

Craig Favors Prosecution.

Comptroller Craig said: "The directors of the Interborough ought to be treated according to law. There should be no distinction or discrimination in their favor. The District Attorney should examine the facts and if a crime has been committed those responsible should be prosecuted. Furthermore, if the investors who have been victims of the directors' market manipulations are alert to their own interests they will see that their losses are made good by the directors whose illegal actions were responsible for the losses."

Though members of the Transit Commission appointed by Gov. Morris refused to comment officially upon the statements of the Mayor and the Comptroller, they permitted it to be known that they welcome heartily and unreservedly the sympathetic cooperation of the Mayor and of any other members of the municipal administration in the constructive task to which the commission is appointed by Gov. Morris. It is not the business of the Transit Commission to send the evidence to a prosecuting officer. Testimony taken in these examinations, however, has all the bias of evidence elicited in a court of law, and the official record of proceedings is quite as available to the District Attorney as to the Corporation Counsel, who receives daily a copy of the stenographic minutes.

This latest utterance of the Mayor provoked nothing but friendly and appreciative comment in the headquarters of the Transit Commission. Among persons outside of that building who have followed the tortuous course of transit affairs closely there were many, however, who hailed these developments as the Mayor and Comptroller as indicating an interesting shift of attitude on the part of the city administration.

Inquiry Ridiculed at Start. It was recalled that when this inquiry opened Mr. Kohler, representing the Corporation Counsel, protested against it in the name of the city, acting under the written instructions of the Mayor, who lost no opportunity to ridicule the State Commission as an unconstitutional body.

It was remembered that even more recently Mayor Hyland issued statements from the City Hall belittling the Transit Commission's investigations and averring that nothing was being revealed except old stuff which had been brought to light in the inquiry conducted for the Board of Estimate and Apportionment last year by the then Corporation Counsel, Justice Burr. Virtually all the documentary material from which Mr. McAneny, Mr. Shearn and their associates now are dragging into the light Interborough corporate data was available in 1920, and it was not until February, 1921, that Corporation Counsel O'Brien, who meantime had succeeded Mr. Burr, made his report to the Board of Estimate, which had authorized the investigation on December 30, 1919, nearly two years ago.

If what the Transit Commission has been revealing of late is all old stuff, critics of the city administration said, they are not unreasonably right. They are not unreasonably right when they say that the Mayor's suggestions now were not taken then. If certain questionable transactions had been pushed to a conclusion in 1920 to determine whether or not they were of a criminal nature, they would not then have been held as they now are sacred by the status of limitations in its application to alleged misdemeanors.

As the case stands at present the period for the institution of criminal proceedings has passed, lawyers asserted yesterday, unless some more serious situations should be exposed as the inquiry progresses. This limitation, of course, does not act as a bar against litigants in civil actions.

ADMITS SHE STARTED FIRE.

N. Y. U. SEARCH FOR UNKISSED SENIOR MEETS A BIG SNAG

Sydney Crowley Writes Purity League Denying Report Jack Weinheimer Never Kissed Girl or Smoked and Recommends Ralph Walker as Candidate.

Sydney Joseph Crowley, who is struggling manfully through life under the label of "New York University's hand-somest senior," took his pen in hand yesterday and placed an epistolary bomb under the Class of 1922 Purity League which was organized recently by a group of seniors with Jack Weinheimer, captain of the football team, as president. Mr. Crowley's letter says it isn't so that Jack Weinheimer never kissed a girl and never smoked, and furthermore, that young Mr. Weinheimer is entirely too wicked a person to belong to a purity league, and is, in fact, too bad to be allowed even to know where the league meets.

The purpose of the league is to bring together those young saints of the university who never have smoked, who will not smoke, who do and always will treat ladies with aloof reverence, and who will not use cuss words stronger than "snucks!" Mr. Crowley gives vent in his letter, to loud and raucous laughter, and criticizes the league and the members. He says:

"I have personally seen Jack Weinheimer, vice president, kiss a fair young lady of my acquaintance on more than one occasion; also, I have never seen Weinheimer without a cigarette in his mouth. Why, only yesterday Weinheimer borrowed some pipe tobacco from me, and if I remember correctly, he swore at me because I did not have a match. I dare him to deny my statements, which I can prove with the aid of a certain young lady toward whom he did not show aloof reverence, after an unkissed senior to make their president they could not pick a better man than Ralph C. Walker, one of the so-called chaste members, who, I understand, has been kissed only once, and then not of his own volition."

This statement regarding Walker, which makes the young man's life out as barren or richly endowed, as the case may be, is corroborated by Mr. Walker himself in a letter which he wrote yesterday to Mr. Crowley. Mr. Walker says he does not want to be president, because Weinheimer is the logical president. He gives no reason for this, but continues:

"Most of the other members will admit that they have been led into occasional either while very young or while off their guard for one reason or another. I myself have been kissed only once, and that was at a party during my freshman year. The hostess had arranged a kissing game and I was forced either to pay the forfeit at the time I was kissed or else be discourteous. Naturally, I paid the forfeit."

The Purity League held a meeting yesterday and admitted Valentine Bohm to membership, giving Mr. Bohm being a member of the league, only yesterday Weinheimer borrowed some pipe tobacco from me, and if I remember correctly, he swore at me because I did not have a match. I dare him to deny my statements, which I can prove with the aid of a certain young lady toward whom he did not show aloof reverence, after an unkissed senior to make their president they could not pick a better man than Ralph C. Walker, one of the so-called chaste members, who, I understand, has been kissed only once, and then not of his own volition."

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Resigned After Being Assured That Affairs Were in Good Shape, He Says.

For the protection of hundreds of men who bought \$500 bonds in order to establish the International Sporting Club the formation of a bondholders' committee and a legal committee will be proposed at the next meeting of the club, on December 12.

The proposal is to be made by the special investigation committee which, under the chairmanship of Frank A. K. Boland, began delving into the affairs of the club a few days ago for the purpose of ascertaining just where the organization stands financially and what has become of the \$800,000 which was believed to have been subscribed.

It was decided yesterday at a meeting of the special committee to ask members wishing to serve on the bondholders' or the legal committee to submit their names to Mr. Boland. The special committee also said that "in order to further the purposes of its investigation" it would welcome information or suggestions from members, to be sent to Mr. Boland at 342 Madison avenue. The members' meeting scheduled for next Monday was postponed for one week "to permit of a more thorough investigation and consequent report."

In Atlantic City yesterday A. Drexel Biddle, former president of the I. S. C., replied to a charge of Mr. Boland that he had displayed poor sportsmanship in resigning from a club which he helped to organize without consulting the members. Mr. Biddle was quoted as saying: "Mr. Boland's statements about me are absolutely untrue. I resigned only after talking things over fully with the other directors and after I had caused a firm of auditors to go over the books of the club and it had reported it to be in fairly good financial condition."

"I turned in my resignation as president on May 27, 1920, but only after the auditor's report had been made public. My reason for resigning was that I found I could not give enough time to conduct the affairs of the club properly and also to fulfill my duties as president of the Drexel Biddle Bible Class Union, which has a membership of 300,000."

"But before resigning and in order that there might not be any possible reflection upon me afterward I had an examination of the club's affairs by Hasbrouck & Sells, one of the leading firms of public accountants in New York city."

TALLEY FIGHTS BAIL TO FREE CRIMINALS

Judge Increases Bonds of Two From \$3,500 to \$25,000 as a Starter.

The practice of furnishing bail for professional criminals was denounced by Judge Alfred J. Talley in General Sessions yesterday when he increased the bonds under which Joseph Keller and Benny Rosner, who were indicted on the charge of possessing burglars' tools after they had been convicted of a crime, from \$3,500 to \$25,000. Before increasing their bail Judge Talley sent for James H. Donaldson, assistant secretary of the New Amsterdam Casualty Company, and told him that "as far as this country is able to break up, if it has the support of the community, the practice of bonding companies in effect aiding criminals to carry on their work."

"The real vice of surety companies," Judge Talley continued, "is that in view of the condition of the calendars of this court, men of this type, having been bailed by companies such as yours, are allowed to be at large for a year or more before their case is called for trial. In the case of men who are professional criminals you are simply sending them out into the community to continue their occupations. If you as a professional citizen, it is up to them, without compulsion from this court, to stop the practice."

"I can see no reason why you cannot defer writing a bond until you have communicated with the police or the District Attorney. The court will expect that within the next few days the bonding companies will themselves agree without compulsion in any form to do what the court suggests."

Keller's record showed he had been arrested and convicted seven times and Rosner's record showed nine convictions. The regular Grand Jury, of which Charles L. Bonaparte is foreman, passed a resolution upholding the action of the court.

MAN HYLAN AIDED FREE ON BURGLARY CHARGE

Jury Disagree in \$1,500 Fur Larceny.

The jury which heard the trial of Harry Rosen of 199 Third avenue on an indictment charging him with burglary and grand larceny in the theft of \$1,500 worth of furs from a store in 1740 Myrtle avenue, Ridgewood, Queens, disagreed yesterday in the Queens County Court and discharged by Judge Burt J. Humphrey. Two other men have been found guilty of participation in the burglary and have been sentenced.

Rosen admitted on the witness stand that he was an ex-convict, and said that in 1917 Mayor John F. Hyland, then a judge in Kings county, helped him obtain a chauffeur's license. Then Judge Hyland sent Rosen to prison for two years and six months for burglary, and he was released on June 15, 1917. He went to work in a garage and then decided he wanted to drive a taxicab, but he knew that he could not get a license if his record was known. So he and his wife and little daughter went to the Hyland home on August 17, 1917, and on his promise to lead an honest life Mr. Hyland gave such assistance that he obtained the license.

When testifying in his own defense Rosen denied that he had been implicated in the fur robbery. He was working on a mail truck in Long Island City when he was arrested, and the police accused him of being the third man in the burglary, who escaped.

FOUND LEO'S SCOWS UNFIT FOR SERVICE

Inspector Needed \$9,000 to Make Two Seaworthy.

David Hirschfeld, Commissioner of Accounts, yesterday continued his investigation of the circumstances of the purchase of two dumping scows at \$25,000 each by the Street Cleaning Department while John P. Leo was Commissioner.

Frank M. Davis, an examining inspector of the Finance Department, testified before Commissioner Hirschfeld yesterday that he and James Griffin, an inspector of the Street Cleaning Department, examined one of the scows in question and found that repairs to the amount of approximately \$9,000 would be necessary to make it seaworthy. A \$200 job would be required on the other also, he said.

Capt. Edward Card of Brooklyn, manager of the Cahill Towing Company, said that his company had been towing the two scows for twenty years and that they had outlived their usefulness and were not safe to send to sea without extensive repairs.

GAS KILLS A WIDOW.

Mrs. Catherine Setky, a widow, of 412 Hancock street, Long Island City, was asphyxiated in her home yesterday afternoon. She was found dead by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rudolph Setky, when the latter returned from a shopping trip. The police believe that Mrs. Setky, who had been ill, tripped over a gas tube connecting a heater and disconnected it.

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"This was done with the full consent and approval of the board of directors of the club. According to that report the club at that time was in excellent financial condition. This report was made public before I had resigned, and I had just consented to serve on the board of directors, would be willing to be connected with the club if there was anything wrong with it."

"Also, I am not the man of such a high type of sportsmanship, character and position as W. Warren Barbour, president of the Linen Thread Company of America, who has just consented to serve on the board of directors, would be willing to be connected with the club if there was anything wrong with it."

Mr. Biddle showed a letter from Mr. Barbour saying: "If you cannot see your way to a more active post, at least I would like to see you chairman of the membership committee."

Mr. Barbour added that W. A. Gavin, former manager of the club, who recently sailed for England, was out for good, that Jack Cooper was now connected with the club, and that its success seems assured. Mr. Barbour wrote to Mr. Biddle on November 21 that he would like to see him "back in the fold."

Mr. Biddle said that Mr. Barbour or Mr. Barbour, but had declined the offer because he felt he could not do justice to the post.

SPECIAL MASTER'S FEE FIXED IN GAS LITIGATION

Judge Mayer Adjusts Compensation of A. S. Gilbert.

Compensation awarded to Abraham S. Gilbert as special master in the Consolidated Gas case was fixed at \$5,000 by United States Circuit Judge Julius M. Mayer, in orders issued November 23 and since. Additional expenses incurred by Mr. Gilbert as special master are also allowed by Judge Mayer, who appointed his former partner to the position.

Three other cases in which Mr. Gilbert acts as special master were included in the ruling of Judge Mayer, who allowed \$12,000 compensation in the case of the New York and Queens Gas Company, a like amount in the Central Union Gas Company case and \$7,500 in the case of the Northern Union Gas Company. The total amount of compensation awarded by Judge Mayer amounts to \$90,000. For these awards additional expenses incurred may be added by Mr. Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert is entitled to compensation in four more cases in which he acts as master. They are the New York Mutual Gas Company case, that of the East River Gas Company, the New Amsterdam Gas Company and the Standard Gas Company, all of which are owned and controlled by the Consolidated.

John Wanamaker

Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co. Broadway at Ninth Street, New York

Almost Everything in the Store Has a Quality that makes it a Christmas stock serviceable for Christmas remembrances and especially of serviceable qualities.

While we provided largely, it has been very carefully done. We do not sell tawdry nor tinsel merchandise. We aim to have every article to be such as will fulfill the customer's expectation for the money paid for it.

In almost every case prices are lower than last year. We do not say everything, but wherever it is possible to have lower prices the public may be sure that they are so adjusted. We are aiming at a lower basis of costs in all our purchases that we may be able to make lower selling prices.

There are no urgencies here to any one to buy except as they need; nor are there any baits or hodge-podge inducements to make people come in with a hope of selling them something when they come.

This Store is first for its patrons and afterward for its owners. By mutual co-operation it improves somewhere every day.

[Signed]

December 3, 1921.

Saturday Concert in the Auditorium

At 2.30 P. M. Under the auspices of the Evening Mail. Charles D. Isaacson, chairman.

Premier Male Quartette and Mr. Godal Salesski, 'cellist; Princess Wah-Wah-Taysee.

First Gallery, New Building

Gifts for Men of Good Taste--

AU QUATRIEME

INK STANDS of charming Quimper ware from Brittany—lovely blue designs with touches of other colors, in droll peasant figures on white ground. Three sizes, heart-shaped, \$1.50; double ink stand, \$2.75, and large size stand with pen-tray attached, \$6 each.

THINGS FOR THE SMOKER—convenient glass cigarette boxes and ash-trays, of French crystal, the boxes with glass covers, the trays with engraved Director designs. Boxes, \$10 each, ash-trays, \$2 and \$2.50 each.

QUIMPER ASH-TRAYS—take half a dozen delightful and unusual shapes—oval, deeply notched, crescent, fleur-de-lis shape, trofoil, Gothic arch, 75c and \$1 each.

DESK SETS of golden brown Italian leather beautifully tooled and gilded in designs taken from old book-covers—blotter, paper-pack, pen-tray, \$50 the set.

DRESSING-TABLE BOTTLES—of clear white crystal glass beautifully engraved, from France. Three sizes, \$10, \$12 and \$15 ea.

Fourth Floor, Old Building

TOY WORLD PAGEANT

This Morning at 10:30

ALADDIN and his wonderful lamp

SANTA CLAUS on his throne

A GREAT FLOOR filled with new toys

Third Gallery, New Building

DIAMOND JEWELRY Street Floor. Stewart Building. PRICES are now very much LOWER

Books—Books—Books Just the book you want—and a lot of fine books you've no idea of. See them before you decide. Children's books, Downstairs Store, Old Building. All others, Main Floor, 4th Avenue side, Stewart Building.

The Christmas Piano Compare the various tones and appearances, Saturday, in the Wanamaker Piano Salons, where you will find the largest selection in America of good pianos, player pianos and Re-producing Pianos.

Special Christmas terms. First Gallery, New Building

Christmas Phonographs For all the Family BRUNSWICK CHENEY SONORA VICTROLA Cabinet and period models—a complete stock. Convenient Terms. Phonograph Shop, Eighth Gallery, New Building

Christmas Hand Bags Of duvety, chiffon velvet and silk, in black, gray, navy blue, henna, brown and most attractive shades of tan. Shell composition frames, or knobs. Self-covered frames with colored knobs. Silk cord handles. Faint tulle linings in exquisite colorings. Inside purse on frame and mirror.

Suede hand bags fashioned on self-covered frames with cord handles and attractive lines. Nicely lined. Inside purse frame. In brown, sand, taupe or gray—specially priced.

Main Floor, Old Building

Christmas Candies Sweet and pure In the Downstairs Store, in the New Building. And on the Main and Second Floors of the Old Bldg.

Christmas Globes For the Children For big chubby hands and for little chubby hands.

WOOL GLOVES, long or short, 65c to \$2. LINED GLOVES of capeskin, mocha or suede—some mint styles—\$1.25 to \$2.50. GAUNTLETS of leather, for boys and girls, \$1 to \$3.

MITTENS—full-lined with fur—tan or white capeskin, and gray Mocha, \$3.75. WOOL MITTENS for babies, 25c up to hand-made Angora mittens, at \$3.

Special—Today at \$2 Pair

Gauntlet gloves of pliable capeskin, with strap at wrist, pique sewn, in brown. Also of washable doekskin in white, with black embroidery and stitching, at the very low price of \$2.

Main Floor, Old Building

Christmas Cards and Calendars Main Floor, Old Building

TODAY IN THE SHOPS FOR MEN

Men's Herringbone Suits, \$35

Special group of 225

Twelve patterns—grays, browns, and various heather mixtures. Three models—all single breasted, and very, very smart. Coats all full lined with alpaca. All sizes, 34 to 46.

We looked at the suits before writing of them (as is our custom) and put on one of the coats to test the fit (we could have worn it without any alteration). "How do you like it for \$35?" we asked a young man, passing. He looked. "Just like the one I've got"—he said, "only I paid \$55 for mine."

Some Remarkable Shoes at \$10

We had just put them out on the counter when a man came in and asked for a pair of shoes like the ones he was wearing. We reached right up to the counter and picked them from this new lot at \$10. "Best shoes I ever wore"—he said. "I've had them soled and heeled either four or five times I forget which.—Wonderful uppers!"

Tan or black calfskin oxfords, medium toe with neat perforations, medium weight soles. 300 pairs \$7 and \$8 Oxfords for \$5.35 pair

Tan and black leathers. Good, heavy soles. Broken sizes of several groups.

Men's thread silk Socks, black, white, colors—65c pair

Men's artificial silk-plaited Socks, black, white, colors—50c pair

Men's wool-and-cotton Shirts or Drawers, heavy weight—\$1.50 each

Men's finer grade of wool-and-cotton Shirts or Drawers—\$2 each

Men's double-breasted Undershirts, wool-and-cotton—\$3

Teasel-down Flannel Pajamas, \$2.50 to \$3 grades—\$1.95

Silk Shirts, \$6.50 to \$8.50 grades—\$4.75

Burlington Arcade Floor, New Building



Gate-Leg Tables—55 styles and sizes.

Mahogany, finished brown and red, and mahogany-finish. Walnut in the regular and dusty finish; a few in enamel and oak.

Price range—\$15 for a table with a 36x36 inch top to \$223 for an imported table of oak in antique finish, top measuring 47x47 inches.

Thirty-one other prices—showing the very convenient range, which makes it virtually certain that any one seeking a good gate-leg table will find here just the one desired.

Fifth Gallery, New Building

Gaily hued Toilet Waters in large bottles

Tied up with ribbons for Christmas gifts. Pink, Amber, Green. Bouquet Fragrances. Round bottles, \$2. Cracked glass pinch bottles, \$3.

Main Floor, Old Building

Christmas Pillows With the French touch

The Avenue of Draperies has—literally—heaps of them, in some very new shapes, colors, materials.

Bolster pillows, with soft, trailing ends—round, oval, puffed pillows, diamond shape—Turkish-looking pillows—heavily draped pillows—combinations of silk and velvet gold lace, gold brocade, galons, tassels—changeable taffeta pillows in fresh, lovely shades, looking like big peonies or big blue blossoms, full blown—pillows of jacquard-silk, rich weaves, heavy silk brocades—\$6.25 to \$37.50.

Many handsome pillows at \$6.25, \$8.75, \$10.75.

Fourth Gallery, New Building

Hand-Knitted Woolen Shawls and Jackets

Knitted of the very soft warm wool in dainty colorings—they are delightful for invalids or to throw over one's shoulders if one breakfasts or reads in bed.

Women's English Shop, Second Floor, Old Building

Chinese jardiniere for Christmas plants

The cream white ground of the porcelain decorated with characteristic Chinese figures in five colors form admirable settings for the dark green and red of the Christmas plants, and are attractive useful gifts for all the year 'round.

Sizes 6x7 to 14x18 in. \$3.50 to \$125.

Second Gallery, New Building

Men's Herringbone Suits, \$35